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By: **Delegate Redmer**

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Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Environment - Well Drilling Permits - Exemptions**

3 FOR the purpose of exempting certain persons who drill wells to conduct temporary  
4 dewatering or who perform certain types of construction under certain  
5 circumstances from a certain prohibition against drilling a well without a  
6 permit; and generally relating to permits to drill wells.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
8 Article - Environment  
9 Section 9-1306  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (1996 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 **Article - Environment**

15 9-1306.

16 (A) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A PERSON WHO DRILLS A WELL TO  
17 CONDUCT TEMPORARY DEWATERING BY USE OF WELL POINTS, DEEP WELLS, OR  
18 SIMILAR METHODS OF DEWATERING TO INSTALL UNDERGROUND UTILITIES OR  
19 INSTALL, CONSTRUCT, OR RECONSTRUCT FOOTINGS, PILINGS, ABUTMENTS, OR  
20 FOUNDATIONS IN CONNECTION WITH HEAVY OR HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION.

21 (B) A person may not drill a well in this State unless the Department issues a  
22 permit to drill the well.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take  
24 effect October 1, 2003.